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Letter dated 4 August 2011 from the Permanent Representative of Cyprus to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

Upon instructions from my Government and further to my letter dated 7 July 2011 addressed to you (A/65/901-S/2011/424), I have the honour to draw your attention to ongoing violations of the international air traffic regulations and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus by military aircraft of the Turkish Air Force, recorded from 1 June to 28 July 2011, as follows.

On 1 June 2011, six F-16, two CN-235, one Cougar and one C-160 Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations seven times and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus three times.

On 2 June 2011, one Cougar Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus.

On 3 and 4 June 2011, two Cougar, one CN-235 and one C-160 Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations five times and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus five times.

On 6 June 2011, two F-16, four F-4 and four Cougar Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations eight times and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus six times.

On 7 June 2011, two F-4 and two CN-235 Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations three times and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus three times.

On 8 June 2011, one B-200, one C-160, one C-130 and one Cougar Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations seven times and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus seven times.

On 9 June 2011, eight Cougar Turkish military aircraft coming in two formations violated international air traffic regulations four times and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus four times.

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On 11 and 13 June 2011, three Cougar, one CN-235 and one B-200 Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations six times and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus six times.

On 14 June 2011, four Cougar and one CN-235 Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations five times and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus five times.

On 15 June 2011, one C-160, one CN-235, six Cougar and one Turkish military aircraft of unknown type violated international air traffic regulations ten times and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus nine times.

On 16 June 2011, two F-16, two C-160, two CN-235 and one Cougar Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations eight times and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus six times.

On 17, 18 and 19 June 2011, two Cougar, two C-130 and one CN-235 Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations eight times and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus eight times.

On 21 June 2011, one CN-235, one Cougar and one Turkish military aircraft of unknown type violated international air traffic regulations five times and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus five times.

On 22 June 2011, one Cougar Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations twice and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus twice.

On 23 June 2011, two Cougar and two CN-235 Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations five times and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus four times.

On 25 June 2011, one CN-235 Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations twice and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus twice.

On 28 June 2011, one CN-235 and two F-16 Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations twice and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus.

On 29 June 2011, one Cougar Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus.

On 30 June 2011, one CN-235 and two F-16 Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations twice and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus.

On 1 July 2011, one Cougar and one CN-235 Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations three times and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus three times.

On 6 July 2011, one CN-235 Turkish military aircraft violated international traffic regulations twice and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus twice.

On 7 July 2011, one CN-235 and two F-4 Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations three times and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus twice.

On 8 and 9 July 2011, one Cougar, one CN-235 and two C-130 Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations six times and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus five times.

On 12 July 2011, two F-16 and two KC-135 Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus.

On 13 July 2011, two B-200 and one CN-235 Cougar Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations three times and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus twice.

On 15 July 2011, two Cougar Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations twice and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus twice.

On 18 July 2011, ten NF-5, two C-160 and one CN-235 Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations seven times and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus seven times.

On 19 July 2011, one C-650, one C-208, two Cougar, one CN-235, two F-16 and eight NF-5 Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations nine times and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus nine times.

On 20 July 2011, one C-208, two Cougar, one CN-235 and eleven NF-5 Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations seven times and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus seven times.

On 21 July 2011, three F-16, two KC-135, one C-650 and one CN-235 violated international air traffic regulations four times and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus twice.

On 22 July 2011, ten NF-5, two C-160 and one CN-235 Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations seven times and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus seven times.

On 25 July 2011, one CN-235 Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations twice and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus twice.

On 26 July 2011, two F-16, two Cougar and two CN-235 Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations six times and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus four times.

On 27 and 28 July 2011, one C-160, one CN-235, one B-200 and three Cougar Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations eight times and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus seven times.

On 28 July 2011, one Cougar Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus.

On behalf of my Government, I strongly protest the continuing violations by Turkey of international air traffic regulations and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus and call for their immediate cessation.

This relentless abuse by Turkey of the sovereignty and territorial integrity of the Republic of Cyprus clearly violates international law and air traffic regulations

and puts the safety of international aviation in the Eastern Mediterranean at serious risk. I call upon the Turkish Government to abide by the Charter of the United Nations and its international obligations and respect the sovereignty, independence and territorial integrity of the Republic of Cyprus.

Regrettably, while negotiations aimed at finding a just, lasting and peaceful solution to the Cyprus problem are ongoing, Turkey's provocative behaviour continues unabated. Turkish Prime Minister Erdoğan's latest remarks, while on an illegal visit to the occupied areas of Cyprus, leave no room for doubt as to Turkey's real intentions and are particularly disheartening at the current juncture in the negotiations. We call on Turkey, once again, to heed the call of the international community and engage constructively towards reaching a viable solution to the Cyprus problem, in accordance with the agreed basis for such a solution, endorsed by numerous Security Council resolutions.

I should be grateful if you would have the present letter circulated as a document of the General Assembly, under agenda item 43, and of the Security Council.

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